## **HOUSE BILL 1141**

## By Sontany

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to criminal offenses.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-402, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection immediately preceding the last subsection and redesignating the last subsection accordingly:

(\_) A "dangerous instrumentality" is any item that in the manner of its use or intended use as applied to a child is capable of producing serious bodily injury to a child, as serious bodily injury is defined in this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.